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#### Instructor Biography -

Deputy Chief Tom Dunne, FDNY

Thomas Dunne is a deputy chief and a 33 year veteran of the New York City Fire Department with extensive experience working in Mid-Manhattan and the Bronx. He has been the incident commander at hundreds of fires and emergencies in residential, commercial, and high rise buildings. He also served as the training and safety coordinator of Division 7 in the FDNY and functioned as a liaison with the media and community groups.

Chief Dunne has lectured at conferences and colleges across the country. His target audience has included students, teachers, emergency response agency leaders, disaster relief agency volunteers, and fire and medical professionals. A Fordham University graduate, he has written numerous articles for fire service publications and serves as an adjunct instructor for the National Fire Academy. He lectures on a variety of topics through his "Third Alarm Fire Training" seminars.

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## We're Only Human: Understanding Fire Ground Behavior



**Friday, October 2, 2015**

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2015 Seminar Series • We're Only Human: Understanding Fire Ground Behavior

## We're Only Human: Understanding Fire Ground Behavior

We've all learned how to fight the fire, but how many of us will be able to accurately predict the behavior of the people affected by the fire? Most firefighters receive little or no training in the behavior patterns of the public they serve. An understanding of their responses can be a great asset for firefighters in sizing up a fire, organizing a building evacuation, or managing a catastrophic event.

This class teaches how civilians typically react to the stress and uncertainty of a fire or other threatening situation and provides firefighters with a guide to safely managing them. Videos, case studies, and personal experiences are used to highlight the genetic and social factors that determine human responses to danger. Practical, hands-on tactics designed to facilitate search and evacuation, improve fire alarm response, guide people in smoke conditions, and enhance safe crowd control are discussed along with high rise challenges and means of improving stairway movement.

Civilian behavior at incidents such as the 9/11 World Trade Center terrorist attack, the Station nightclub fire, the Beverly Hills supper club, and my own personal fire experience is analyzed. Fire scenarios are presented to the students allowing them a "hands-on" opportunity to size up fire and emergency situations and discuss potential issues in managing and protecting civilians.

This presentation is primarily developed for the fire service and is relevant for firefighters, company officers, and chiefs. A firefighter who understands human behavior in crisis is better prepared to effectively search, evacuate, and manage civilians at fires and other emergencies. The lecture is also relevant for EMS personnel, members of emergency response agencies, and disaster relief services, all of whom must successfully manage people affected by fires, weather challenges, and other life threatening situations.

Learn how people think and you will be able to think like a more capable firefighter.



# Student Application Form

A separate application is required for each course.

Please print/type and mail/fax with payment to:

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Fire Dept./Organization \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Check box if you would like to subscribe your email address to the CFPC listserv.

Are you 18 years of age or older? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
(No one under 18 is allowed to participate in hands-on programs)

#### Returned Check Policy

A \$25.00 fee will be assessed to all returned checks (insufficient funds, stop payment, etc). In order to complete your registration after the receipt of a returned check, you must submit cash, money order, or a bank check including the amount of tuition and the returned check fee to the registrar.

## 2015 Seminar Series

All held at Connecticut Fire Academy

### NIMS Application for Routine Incidents

Deputy Chief Leonard Carmichael, Jr. Trenton Department of Fire & Emergency Services NJ

**Friday December 4, 2015**

### 2015 Fire Service Instructor Development Seminar

Presentation is Everything;

Mastering the Instructor's Tools of the Trade

Captain Chuck Baird Cobb County GA Fire and Emergency Services

**Saturday September 26, 2015**

Please insert your ID number below:

ID Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Your ID consists of the first (3) letters of your last name and the last (4) numbers of your social security number.

**Example: John Adams - SS# 000-00-5555**  
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As Chief of the **(Fire Department):**

or as Supervisor of the **(Organization):**

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I hereby authorize the above applicant to participate in the program below and, therefore, understand that the above-named individual will be covered by my organization's Workers' Compensation Insurance while participating in such training, and that the Commission on Fire Prevention and Control, its commissioners, officers, agents or employees shall not be liable for any injuries sustained during such training. This applicant is considered by my department's standards to be physically and emotionally fit to perform firefighting evolutions without special considerations, and where applicable, to meet the 29 CFR 1910.134 standard for the use of respirators (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus).

Chief or Supervisor (Signature): \_\_\_\_\_

No application will be accepted without tuition, authorized signature and proof of prerequisite (if required).

Register me for the following course:

Course Title **We're Only Human: Understanding Fire Ground Behavior**

Course # **16039**

Date **Friday, October 2, 2015** Tuition **\$55.00**

**Method of Payment - Payment is required at time of registration. Do not send cash.**

**Faxes must include Credit Card or Purchase Order #.**

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